(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) and (b) States have been addressed to initiate work on the schemes to be included in the Twenty Point Programme - 1986, targets to be set for these schemes, the funding arrangements and the monitoring of the Programme.

(c) The implementation of the Twenty Point Programme - 1986 is proposed to be taken up from April, 1987, setting up of 20-Point Programme Committees, if required will be considered thereafter.

(d) Does not arise

Coverage of Shimla District by TV Transmitters

2290. SHRI ROSHAN LAL. Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether interior areas of Himachal Pradesh, such as Rohru and Rampur in Shimla District, are likely to be covered under T. V. transmitters during the Seventh Five Year Plan period; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASING (SHRI AJIT PANJA) (a) No, Sir. However, the VII plan of Doordarshan includes establishment of a high power (1KW) transmitter and Studio Centre at Shimla. In addition, establishment of low power (100 Watt) relay transmitters at Mandi, Bilaspur and Dharamsala and very low power (2x10 Watt) relay transmitters at Hamirpur, Chamba, Kyelong, Kalpa and Una is also included in the VII Plan.

(b) Extension of TV service to various uncovered parts of the country can be carried out only in phases, depending on the availability of resources for this purpose.

Posts of Security guards in the Secretariat Security Service lying vacant

2291 SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of vacancies in the category of Security-Guards in the Secretariat Security Force under the Ministry of Home Affairs are lying vacant,

(b) whether it is also a fact that no action have been initiated to fill up the said vacancies, and

(c) if so, what action is contemplated in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) (a) Yes, Sir. About 40 posts in the grade of Sepoy are presently lying vacant.

(b) and (c) No Sir. Action to fill vacancies has already been initiated. Requisite formalities with regard to character verification/medical examination are being completed

Financial Assistance to voluntary Agencies for wasteland action plan

2292. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Wasteland Development Board set up by Government had approved a scheme for grant of financial assistance to voluntary agencies;

(b) if so, what are the main features of the scheme;

(c) what is the criterion of identifying such agencies for the purpose and the various items of programmes for which the amount is allotted;

(d) the period for which the grant has been sanctioned; and